

HEARD and SEEN at the CAPITAL

Make Your Entry Now for the "Who's Who in Trees"

WASHINGTON.—A "hall of fame for trees" has been inaugurated by the American Forestry association for the recognition of famous trees and the location of the largest shade tree in the United States. Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the association, says: "There are many famous trees. For example, there is Liberty tree on the campus of St. John's college at Annapolis under which a treaty with the Indians was signed in 1652. The experts tell us this tree is close to 800 years old. We all know of the William Penn Treaty tree, beneath which Washington took command of the continental army. At Oberlin is the elm on the corner of the campus under which was the first log house in which Oberlin college was founded. We want a complete list."



An elm at Huntington, Ind., long has been regarded as the largest shade tree in the country. Now comes Dumont Kennedy of Crawfordsville, Ind., with a picture of a tree on his property and the suggestion that it is larger than the tree at Huntington. This tree has a spread of 99 feet, while the Huntington elm has a spread of only 75 feet.

The list of entries is growing rapidly. The "Wye Mills Oak," near Easton, Ind., covers a third of an acre of ground and has a spread of 140½ feet. The circumference 1 foot from the ground is 51½ feet.

From Lisbon, comes the nomination of the tree under which the Indians and white settlers came to an agreement regarding iron ore to be used in making kettles. Ralph G. Smith of Circleville, enters the Logan elm in that city.

C. C. Royce nominates the Sir Joseph Hooker oak at Chico, Cal.; General Sherman estimates that 7,000 men could stand in the shade of this tree.

A. D. Dart nominates the "largest live oak" in the South, at Brunswick, Ga., known to be a veteran in 1763. It has a circumference of 26 feet.

Army Is to Play Polo, the Next Thing to Real War

IT APPEARS that the army is going in for polo. Polo is quite a game; it is about the nearest thing to war obtainable in times of peace. The war department authorizes publication of an announcement by the office of the chief of staff, which says among other things:

It is the desire of the war department that polo should be one of the games to be encouraged and developed throughout the army. To accomplish the aims for which this game is fostered in the service, namely, the development of horsemanship, skill and daring on the part of officers and enlisted men, commanding officers will utilize all means at their command to further the interests of this sport. It is especially desired that teams be developed and maintained at the several division camps and at training centers and regimental posts.

A central polo committee has been established in the war department. This committee will co-ordinate all matters pertaining to polo activities throughout the army. It will secure every assistance possible for the furtherance of the game, and will co-ordinate relations between polo in the service and the American Polo association.

Organizations desiring to take up polo are empowered to use regulation mounts of their authorized quota for this purpose. Regulation mounts of the necessary speed and hardiness will be furnished such organization as part of their quota on requisition made to appropriate remount officer.

To units developing teams will be issued on requisition the necessary polo equipment, including saddles, sticks, balls, etc.

Instructions governing participation in match and tournament play, the training and use of horses and the requisition and care of equipment will issue from the war department.

"Wired Wireless"—and Everybody Talking at Once

PERFECTION of a method of "wired wireless," by means of which at fewest ten and possibly 50 conversations may be carried on simultaneously by means of a single wire by persons thousands of miles apart, will soon be announced by Maj. Gen. George O. Squier, chief signal officer of the army.

The method, it was said, makes long-distance telephone communication virtually limitless. Conversations from Argentina to Alaska will be a matter of course, provided single wires are strung between the points mentioned. The new method will save telephone and telegraph companies large sums of money, as by its use one wire will do the work now done by ten or more.

"Wired wireless" is a system of guiding radio currents by means of a wire. The currents travel through the air alongside the wire, which guides them to their destination. It was explained. The method eliminates one fault of the ordinary radio which sends the messages broadcast in all directions. Under the Squier method the wave currents stay close to the wire, thus insuring reliability and secrecy.

The high frequency current travels along the wire, but not in it, passing through the ether as do radio waves, with the difference that instead of being diffused it travels in a path of which the wire serves as core.

Cold-Storage Junk Vs. Cooking of the Countryside

OCCASIONALLY some carping critic ventures the opinion that a good deal of "bunk" is perpetrated on the floors of congress. Maybe these critics do not know the difference between "bunk" and oratory for home consumption. For instance, Representative Thomas of Kentucky, in speaking of a proposed adjournment of congress, is quoted by the Congressional Record, in part as follows:

Mr. Thomas. And that would bring a change of living conditions from cold-storage junk and indifferent cooking to the fresh, pure food and good cooking of the countryside. Congress could there mingle with the thrifty sons and fair daughters of the soil and breathe the inspiration of nobler thoughts and loftier ideals. The frost is now on the pumpkin, the ripened corn is in the crib, the golden wheat is in the bin, the yellow yams are mellowing and sweetening in the cellar, the succulent persimmon and the toothsome "possum" are now ripened under the cool temperature of frosty, freezing moonlit nights, and all nature is redolent with the perfume of dying flowers and aglow with the varicolored beauty of autumnal forests and the glory and splendor of autumnal sunsets.

And then to contemplate the epicurean richness of a country dinner consisting of country-cured ham; and hog and lye hominy, made only as they know how to make it in Kentucky; accompanied by light, hot biscuits and country-made blackberry jam and other like delicacies; and to crown all, as a final course, a big, juicy, "possum."

Such a dinner is a real and glorious feast, fit not only for a congressman but for the gods; and after it is over, how pleasant to go to the old log stable and crawl up into the loft as in by-gone days and be a boy again, and repose on the new-mown hay as of yore, and be lulled into peaceful sleep by the patter of the rain on the old board roof, and drift away into dreamland untroubled of ambition and the pomp and circumstance and vainglory of the world.



France Hopeful for New Year

Begins 1920 With Greater Confidence Than It Did the Last.

DUE TO DEFEAT OF RADICALS

Elections Stabilize Internal Conditions, Though Fall of Franc Is Still Serious Problem—Study Financial Policy.

Paris.—France began the new year with far greater confidence than the last. This is in spite of formidable handicaps, such as the balance of trade running against her at the rate of about 1,500,000,000 francs a month, about 50 per cent depreciation of the exchange value of the franc and the consequent difficulty of procuring raw materials and machines urgently needed for reconstruction.

France's renewed confidence is derived directly from the result of the recent elections. These are regarded here as having definitely stabilized internal politics, ended all danger of revolutionary agitation for some time to come and brought about a better attitude by capital and labor toward the immense effort before France.

Money is forthcoming for investments in anything that promises stability. While the investments in short-term treasury bonds are continuing at the rate of nearly 2,000,000,000 francs a month, there is plenty of money for industrial and commercial enterprises and long-term loans. The 4,000,000,000 franc loan to provide immediate resources for indemnifying victims of the invasion was oversubscribed before the official opening of the subscriptions. Important banks and industrial companies have lately increased their capital to an aggregate of nearly 500,000,000,000 francs.

Big Trade on Bourse.

Transactions on the Paris bourse, which still are confined to cash deals, have exceeded on certain days records of pre-war trading, when futures entered largely into the totals. The upward movement of all industrial which began before the signature of the treaty at Versailles, has been unchecked by successive liquidations. This is regarded by keen observers here as a sure sign of economic recovery.

Employers say the labor situation is improved and that the last strikes developed signs that the workers themselves were becoming weary of long continued disturbances of business, industry and transportation. They see a tendency against frivolous strikes and an indication that only real grievances will induce the wage earners to quit work hereafter.

Decentralization of capital and industry is seen in the establishing in Normandy of textile industries to replace those in the occupied territory destroyed by the war. This movement has been greatly extended by development of water power in the region of the Alps and the center and south of

France. Industrial leaders say that no particular region of France hereafter will monopolize any industry, and declare that this scattering will prove beneficial and result in a more equitable recovery of all parts of the country.

To Transfer Industries.

Powerful financial groups are at the head of the movement to transfer important industries from the coal region to southwestern France, where water power soon will be available. Other groups are being formed to develop manufacturing centers near the coast so as to reduce the cost of transporting raw materials. Industrial leaders say that this activity on the part of capital, supported by the recovery of labor from what has been characterized as a wave of "laziness," gives a healthy tone to the situation.

Instability of the exchange value of the franc is regarded as one of the weakest points in French conditions. It is pointed out that France cannot pay twice over at present high prices for supplies she needs, and that is what the present low value of the franc means. The French government is now studying a complete renovation of the financial policy with a view to making such provisions to meet obligations as will give greatest stability, both at home and abroad. Details of the new financial policy are as yet not disclosed, but it is understood that it comprises a large interior loan to take up all short-term bonds and floating

Germany Accused of Taking 26,000 Dogs

Paris.—The French ministry of agriculture has lodged with the commission of war damages a claim for 26,000 dogs alleged to have been stolen by the Germans during the war. The ministry specifies some of the thefts, naming specially six valuable setters taken by the German crown prince and a prize pointer taken by General Von Kluck.

Why That Backache?

Why be miserable with a bad back? You can't be happy if every day brings lameness; sharp, shooting pains and a dull, nagging ache. Likely the cause is weak kidneys. You may have headaches and dizzy spells, too, with a weak, tired feeling. Don't delay! Try Doan's Kidney Pills. They have done wonders in thousands of such cases. Ask your neighbor!

An Illinois Case

G. A. Idelman, 109 W. McMackin St., Salem, Ill., says: "My back ached every day. My kidneys were weak and when I stooped I had dizzy spells and could see little dots before my eyes. The kidney secretions were frequent and annoying, causing loss of sleep. I passed a large sized stone, about one fourth of an inch long. I used several boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills and they entirely relieved me."

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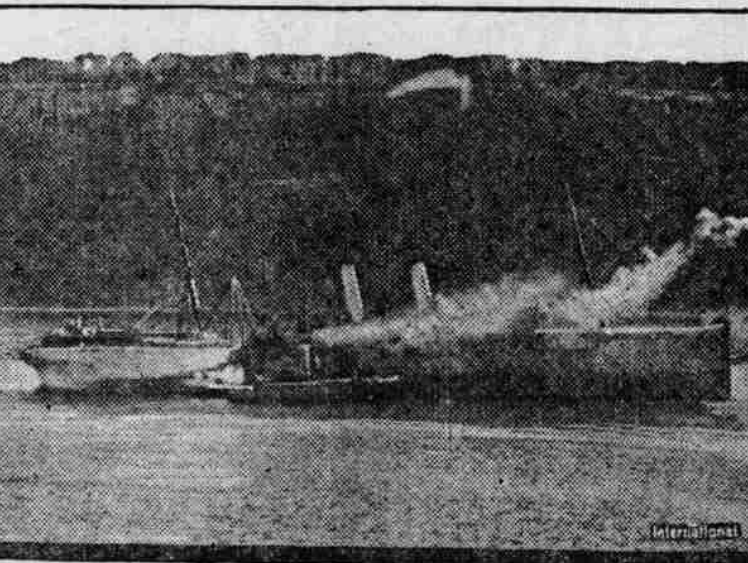
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STOPS PAIN MUSTARDINE CANNOT BLISTER

AMERICAN TROOPSHIP DEKALB ON FIRE



A striking photograph of the United States troopship DeKalb, formerly the German raider, Prince Eitel Friedrich, on fire in the Hudson river near Spuyten Duyvil. All of the members of the skeleton crew of 300 escaped uninjured.

Owl, Protected by Law, Disturbs Law

Chelsea, Mass.—Residents in the vicinity of Chelsea have been disturbed nights by an active but elusive screech owl. The little marauder starts in his disturbance between 9 and 10 o'clock. The police have been asked to capture the bird. During the day the owl flits from one chimney to another in an effort to escape capture. The police have given an alibi that it is against the game laws to shoot the owl.

Foot Caught in Rail, Woman Dies.

Pittsburgh.—Her foot wedged tightly between the rail and a plank, at a railroad crossing, Mrs. John Forbes, sixty-five, of this city, was struck and instantly killed by a fast train.

Has Ludendorff's War Car

Chicago Man Now Has Machine in Daily Use.

Limousine Was Seized for General While Owner Was Touring Germany.

Chicago, Ill.—Gen. Ludendorff's general headquarters motor car, with the same black body and sloping duck nose, that carried the military head of the German armies over Belgian and French roads while its occupant was seeking to annihilate the allies, can be seen almost any day on Chicago's streets and boulevards.

Bullet-scarred and battered after traveling more than 60,000 miles as the equipage of the German commander, the limousine has returned to peaceful pursuits and civilian service.

In the summer of 1914 C. L. Willey,

a Chicago lumber merchant, with his wife, was touring Germany in the motor car. The war flamed up and the automobile was seized by German officials, despite its owner's protests, becoming the official property of Gen. Ludendorff.

Somewhere in its war activity the limousine was the target of well-aimed machine-gun fire from the allied armies and its roof was perforated in many places.

Through an American consul Willey brought about the return of the automobile. C. L. Willey died in 1916 and the car is now used daily by his son, C. B. Willey.

Fall Into Hydrangas Bush Fatal.

New York.—Phoenix Miller, eleven years old, fell into a hydrangea bush. A broken stem of the plant went through a nostril and penetrated the brain, killing the boy instantly.